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Docket No. 58091-010400**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS**

Claim 1 (currently amended): A safety/warning device having a body adapted to releasably receive therein at least one portable source of electrical energy,

the body having an open upper end in which is received a grommet,

the grommet having first engaging means for engaging with second engaging means of the body to ensure correct location of the grommet relative to the body; the grommet having internal engagement means for receiving therein at least one light emitting diode mounted on a circuit board to ensure the at least one light emitting diode is accurately located relative to a lens which sealingly engages over and closes the open upper end;

the circuit board including a first contact to contact a first terminal of the portable source of electrical energy, and a second contact to contact a second terminal of the portable source of electrical energy;

the second terminal of the portable source of electrical energy having a contact strip to contact the second contact;

a switch mounted on the circuit board adapted to be contacted by at least one finger on the lens to switch the device on and off, the switch being substantially shock proof, the switch including an over-center contact; and

wherein the at least one light emitting diode is at a height relative to the lens to give a relatively bright band of light in the horizontal direction through a first portion of the lens, the first portion having relatively smooth and convex outer surface.

Claim 2-9 (canceled)

Claim 10 (previously presented): A safety/warning device as claimed in claim 1, wherein the first portion has a relatively smooth and flat inner surface, and is located between a lower portion and a shoulder portion, the lower portion and shoulder portions having Fresnel lens characteristics to minimize light transmitted therethrough.

Claim 11 (currently amended): A safety/warning device having at least one light emitting diode mounted on a circuit board accurately mounted within a lens at a height relative to the lens corresponding to a first portion of the lens;

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the first portion having a relatively smooth and flat inner surface, and relatively smooth and convex outer surface;

the first portion being located between a lower portion and a shoulder portion, the lower portion and the shoulder portion having Fresnel lens characteristics to minimize light transmission therethrough;

the circuit board including a first contact to contact a first terminal of a portable source of electrical energy, and a second contact to contact a second terminal of the portable source of electrical energy;

the second terminal of the portable source of electrical energy having a contact strip to contact the second contact; and

a switch mounted on the circuit board adapted to be contacted by at least one finger on the lens to switch the device on and off, the switch being substantially shock proof, the switch including an over-center contact.

Claim 12 (currently amended): A safety/warning device as claimed in claim [10]11, wherein the lens has an upper surface with Fresnel lens characteristics to minimize light transmission therethrough except for a generally vertical, central beam.

Claim 13 (previously presented): A safety/warning device as claimed in claim 11, wherein the convex outer surface of the first portion of the lens has an apex, and the at least one light emitting diode has a center, the at least one center and the apex being substantially horizontally aligned.

Claim 14 (previously presented): A safety/warning device as claimed in claim 13, wherein there is a plurality of diffuser elements on the inner surface of the lens.

Claim 15 (previously presented): A safety/warning device as claimed in claim 11, wherein the lens has an upper surface with Fresnel lens characteristics to minimize light transmission therethrough except for a generally vertical, central beam.